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RE: Letter to Dennis White
of Dec. 30, 1981 on
reclamation of diversions
at the Bear Canyon Mine

Dear Mrs. Pruitt;

Your letter refers to the proposed 18 inch culvert to be installed at the upper material storage yard. As you may or may not recall, it was I who first mentioned we would need a culvert there as it would have to include space for the trucks to turn around after unloading supplies, and is actually an extension of the material storage area rather than space for the material itself. Were it not for that, a drainage channel at the edge of the storage area would be adequate. As agreed, we have left the drainage channel open and clear each time the dozer stopped at the end of a shift, but I am not swair of any agreement to install the culvert by Jan. 16th. To install a culvert before the finished grade level has been reached is not only not acceptable construction practice, but borders on the ridiculous. The work was delayed in this area because of machinery breakdowns and other work more pressing, and at present is at a standstill because of weather and ground conditions. Because of these variables, there is no way I can set a date when the culvert will be installed, except to say it will be installed when the grade work is complete. If you feel as stated in the letter this warrants a violation, then you had just as well save some time, and set up a hearing on it now as it will come to that anyway.

The other reference in your letter is to the UP&L power pole installations. I have not changed my position that they are not our poles and are located on a UP&L easment and the disturbance was not made by us to start with. If you want to write another violation on this, and get into another dispute, I will continue to appeal the decision as many times and as far as I need to go. I have volunteered to donate time of our equipment and operators to reclaim these areas. This we will do when conditions permit and we can work it in to our schedule. If this is not acceptable, you may wish to consider other alternatives, but if we return to a dispute, I may decide to retract the offer. I would also like to remind you that in addition to the Divisions requirements; as agreed upon at the hearing with Ron Daniels, the measures taken have to meet UP&L requirements, which includes permanent access to the power poles.

Respectfully,

cc: Cleon B. Feight
Ron Daniels
James Smith
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